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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed September 30, 2002, applicants elect the invention of Group I (claims 1-11) drawn to a method for evaluating acute transplant rejection in a host involving determining a magnitude of gene expression in the sample of a cytoprotective gene cluster. The election is made without traverse.

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